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Sr. stars fall to **Abington**

Abington relied on a seven-run third inning to eliminate Back Mountain from further action in Section 4 Senior League Tournament July 23. Abington capitalized on two Back Mountain errors and four walks in the third to take an early 9-2 lead, eventually winning 10-2. Matt Wycallis accounted for the first Back Mountain run in the first after scoring on a double by Josh Katyl. In the second Dan Fauerbach scored on a single by Mike Regan. Chuck Whitehead took the loss. In top photo, Joel Whipple applied the tag on Abington's Dave Campbell. Darryl Evans launched a pitch, lower left. Lower right, Matt Wycallis signaled to Mike Regan as Abington's Serena Namdari slid into second. POST PHOTOS/MONICA MARZANI







Campers win behind Smith's 24 markers Camp Orchard Hill, Dinosaur STANDINGS

Jr., and Wyoming Quality Beverage won first round games Monday in the playoffs of the Dallas Rec Center Summer Basketball League.

Steve Smith poured in 24 points to pace the Campers. Julius Perry's 18 led Dinosaur Jr., and Charlie Siglin scored 15 for WVQB.

In the final regular season games, Tim Sutliff ripped the cords for 25 points to lead Ziemba Insurance to a 72-64 win over Insalaco's. Frank Debona helped the cause with 14 points as Ziemba finished the regular season at 5-5. Insalaco's goes into the playoff

Dinosaur Jr. got a measure of reverse by blasting Camp Orchard Hill 72-43. Earlier last week the campers dumped Dinosaur Jr. 57-56. Julius Perry muscled in 15 points while Nafty Hage added 14 for the winners. Steve Smith fired in 19 for Camp Orchard Hill. Both teams entered Monday's

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Ziemba Insurance - 72

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Camp Orchard Hill 8 Dinosaur Jr. Wyo. Quality Bev. 5 5 Ziemba Ins. 5 Oliver Cafe Insalaco's

opening round of the playoffs tied for first place at 8-2.

Wyoming Quality Beverage capped a .500 regular season by whipping Oliver Cafe 59-43 behind Brian Ford's 15 points. Jay Van Orden led Oliver with 19.

Playoff semi-finals are scheduled for Wed., July 30 and the championship game will take place Mon., Aug. 4. Raid date is Tues., Aug. 5.

Upcoming schedule:

Insalaco's - 64

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July 30, 5:30 p.m. Semi-final game Aug. 4, 5:30 p.m., Championship

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TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

SENIOR LEAGUE SOFTBALL

Warrington 6, Back Mt. 1

Back Mountain was never able to recover from a 6-0 defecit in the bottom of the second to drop the first game in the state softball championship tournament July 26. Warrington scored three runs in both the first and second innings before Back Mountain could score a run. Amanda Stolarick drove home the lone run for Back Mt in the third.

Warren 6, Back Mt. 5

Back Mountain held on to a 5-I lead going into the sixth inning before Warren exploded for five runs in the final two innings to end Back Mountain's season with a 6-5 loss July 27

TEENER LEAGUE 14-15 Back Mt. 9, North Valley 3

Jayson Pope and Jake Rambus combined for five of Back Mountain's nine runs in a 9-3 romp over North Valley July 24. Justin Kotarski slugged two hits for the victors. Jerry Long fanned nine and was credited with the

WILKES-BARRE REC. Back Mt. 13, Heights Nat. 11

Ryan Gryskevicz scattered three hits including a home run to lead Back Mountain to a 13-11 victory over Heights in the 11-12 yr tournament July 23. Mike Fehlinger, Jon Barbose and John Simonitus ripped two hits apiece for Back Mountain.

Back Mt. 6, Edwardsville 4

Back Mountain advances to the W-B Rec Tournament Championship game against North Wilkes-Barre following a 6-4 victory over Edwardsville July 25. Mike Fehlinger belted two doubles for the spoilers.

LOWER VALLEY 11-12 Hanover 6, Back Mt. Nat. 3

Back Mountain was unable to connect as Hanover struck out 11 Back Mt. batters in a 6-3 loss July 23. Nick Faillace and J.J. Sidorek supplied the only sparks to Back Mountain's line up with two singles apiece.

Registration Aug. 2 for fall baseball

Back Mountain baseball will hold a registration for fall baseball on Sat., Aug. 2, 9 a.m.-11 a.m. at the baseball field refreshment stand. Any candidates interested in playing baseball with league age 9-12 can register to play in the fall league. Also tickets will go on sale for the Sept. 7 banquet. Adult tickets are \$12 and children tickets are \$5.

Metz competes in A.A.U. Championship

Mike Metz of Dallas competed in the A.A.U. Grand National Wrestling Championships held in Bakersfeld, CA on July 16-20. Metz wrestled in the Espoir Divison at 136.5 lbs. in the Freestye & Greco-Roman wrestling styles.

Metz wrestled his way to the championships rounds where he was crowned A.A.U. National Champion for both styles of the competition. Metz will continue his academic and wrestling career in the fall at King's College.



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Lamoreaux at Pocono

Sweet Valley's Jim Lamoreaux spotted in the pit at Pocono Raceway during race weekend for the Pocono 500.

Softball stars go to Section 4 finals

The Back Mountain Little League Softball All Stars, District 16 champions, advanced to the finals of the Section 4 championship. Over the weekend they beat District 29 champs Mount Pocono 16-0 before falling to the District 20 champs of Northwest Bethlehem by a score of 5-4. On Monday the team rebounded with a 15-10 win over District 9 champs Christy Mathewson of Scranton. Back Mountain lost their bid for the championship with a 22-10 season ending loss to Northwest Bethlehem July 22. Back Mountain held a 6-4 lead after three innings before Bethlehem took control. Leading Back Mt.'s offense were Sam Lloyd, Lisa Wasser, Moly Guntli and Rachel Kukosky. Liz Samanas also rallied for a double. Kukosky took the loss. The team ends the post-season at 8-2. Pictured, first row, from left: Sammy Oschman, Lauren Patton,

Carla Chiampi, Lisa Wasser, Rachel Kukosky, Sam Lloyd, Meredith Lacev. Second row: Coach Donna Konopki, Jaime Sickler, Jonelle Dickson, Jamie Sulewski, Molly Guntli, Kristen Clay, Liz Samanas, Erin Swepston, Joan Conrad. Last row: Manager Rick Guntli, Coach John Sulewski, President Jack Snyder.

SPORTS SHORTS

BMT National plays in Lower Valley tourney

The Back Mountain National League Lower Valley All Star Team recently completed tournament play at Nanticoke and Northwest. At Northwest, Josh Wysocki had three singles while Daniel Katyl and Nick Grieves added hits in an 8-5 loss to Kingston. Nick Faillace had three hits and Ryan Kellager scored two runs in a 15-4 loss to Miners

In the Lower Valley Tournament, Mountaintop defeated Back Mt. Nat. 12-6. Kevin Arnaud had two hits while Brett Sprau led the defense. Tyler Karalunas struck out nine batters and pitched a complete game as National topped Back Mt. American 6-4. Joe Liparela amd Ryan Ishley led the defense. J.J. Sidorek had two hits and Chris Bertenelli led the defense as National fell to Hanover 6-3.

Coaches for Back Mt. National were Ralph Wysocki, Bob Grieves, and Angelo Bertenelli. Manager was George Gracely.

Bus trip to LL World Series

There will be a bus trip to the Little League World Series in Williamsport on Mon., Aug. 18. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. from the Back Mountain Little League field and returns at 5:30 p.m.. Price is \$12. Payment is not yet due, but reservations must be made no later than Sun., Aug. 3 Call George Gracely at 639-1467 to reserve a seat.

Dallas Gridiron Club to host golf classic

The Dallas Gridiron Club will be hosting the Mountaineer Golf Classic at the Four Seasons Golf Course on Sun., Aug. 10. Format will be Captain and Crew with an 8 a.m. Shotgun Start. Cost is \$55 per person which includes golf, cart, food, drinks and prizes. A special drawing will be held with the grand prize being a King Cobra Titanium

Hole sponsors are \$50 each and all proceeds go directly to the football program. Our kids work very hard all year round so please come out and show your support. You can make reservations by calling Blake Saba at 675-3799 before Aug. 3.

KUBIS TOURNEY RESULTS

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Swoyersville beat Back Mountain American 9-7. The winning pitcher was Ken Remensnyder. He struck out 6 and didn't allow a run over the final 3 innings. Swoyersville was led offensively by Justin Bozinko, who had 2 doubles, 2 runs scored and 2 RBl's. Chris Mayerski hit a 1st inning homer. Matt Shedletsky and Remensnyder each collected 2 hits with one of Remensnyder's being a double. Paul Connoly added 2

For American Nate Yoh had a double and drove in 3 runs. Mike Darling had a double, and drove in 2 runs. Adding two singles apiece were Frank Buzin and Elijah Miller. Buzin struck out 7 batters in the loss

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Pittston beat Back Mountain National 9-3. Joey Leyshon was the winning pitcher. Andy Kucharak hit a double, scored twice and had 4 RBIs. Rob Corey and Joey Shandra also scored two runs apiece. Joe Conzagra had a key 2 run pinch single. Erich Mahle was 3 for 3 with a RBI for National. Mike English had a RBI double. Jonathan Wood took the

Back Mountain American beat Pittston 16-8. The winning pitcher was Elijah Miller. He Struck out 4 over the final 4 1/3 innings. He also helped himself out by going 4-4 with a pair of runs scored Chris Katyl had four hits, including 2 doubles, 4 runs scored and 4 runs driven in. Jeff Pace singled doubled and drove in a pair. Mike Darling and Frank Buzin each doubled. Pittston got doubles by

Matt Granteed and Joey Leyshon. Jerry Darling took the loss.

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7/29197 In the most exciting game of the tourney so far, Northwest defeated Back Mountain American 4-3 in extra innings to move on to face Plains in the losers' bracket finals. Down by two runs in the sixth, Back Mountain got singles from Chris Katyl and Phil Engler to put the tying run on base. Nate Yoh then drove in the second run for BMA and a wild throw let the tying run score. Frank Buzin then came on to strike out the side in the bottom of the sixth to put the game into extra innings BMA in the seventh got hits from Elijah Miller and Chris Katyl, but stranded the runners on the corners as Vince Scalzo, who came on in the seventh to relieve Brendon Evans, struck out three of the five batters he faced. Frank Buzin, who started the game for BMA, continued into the seventh giving up a double to Nate Buerger, his third hit and second double. Evans walked and Scalzo was intentionally walked to load the bases. With the infield drawn in, BMA managed to get the next two batters to hit into force plays at the plate. Brian Stempien then came to bat for Northwest and hit his second single of the game to drive in the winning run. Brendon Evans struck out seven and walked just three in six innings pitched for Northwest.

Ryan Yaple also added a single and a double. Frank Buzin took the loss for BMA striking out four batters. Tim Kerestes had a hit for American. Back Mountain American finishes fourth in the tour-

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